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## A DAY'S DEVELOPMENTS LEAVES THE RUSSIAN PROBLEM UNSOLVED

Conferences at the Capitol and on Quarantine Island Are Fruitless—Hearing to Be Resumed This Morning.

"We didn't come here to work as plantation laborers; we came here as soldiers. We were promised by Mr. Brewster and Mr. Atkinson that, if we came to Hawaii, we could get good and cheap work to make our money. We were told that if we did not like the home-lands after we had worked there a while, we could go to work on the plantations at good wages. We have been deceived. Conditions were misrepresented to us. We can't make enough to live on. As laborers on the plantations, some of us have worked for four months and not only have not saved anything, but are in debt and can't get out. Mr. Perelstrovsky told us before we came how badly we were being treated in Russia. That's just how we are treated in the United States."

Such is the gist of the statements made by the Russian immigrants yesterday afternoon as they stood, an eager, pathetic, strange looking crowd, grouped around the desk of Secretary Martin Smith in his office in the capitol and told him their tangled tale of woe. And perhaps in those statements is the reason for all the trouble that has occurred since the Russians landed on American soil, the cause of their refusal to go to work on the plantations, the foundation for their apparent stubbornness and contumacy and their defiance of the power of the law and their flouting of the planters. They didn't come here as plantation laborers, they said, they came as soldiers, and, in earlier days, the pioneers of America dove into the depths of the unknown to found for themselves homes and for posterity a country.

A Strange Spectacle.

It was a queer procession that entered the gates of the capitol yard.

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## SERRA'S SISTER SHIPS MAY COME

Oceanic Steamship Company  
Planning Renewal of  
Business.

The Oceanic Steamship Company is on good authority to be now considering the re-issuing of the steamers *Serra* and *Ventura*, to follow the *Serra*, in order to start them again in the Pacific trade, and the company may "put in" to the coast of the *Serra* company and the American-Hawaiian company over the sugar-carrying business. At the same time, the company is hustling for guarantees of money for the *Serra*.

According to a report from San Francisco, which is from a source of good authority, the company wants to get some guarantees of money here in the *Serra* and *Ventura*, and if it can get such guarantees will refit them as it refitted the *Serra*. Plans have already been made, indicating that the vessels need to put them into better shape.

The vessels are at present laid up in San Francisco. They are involved in considerable litigation, like all the Oceanic company's affairs.

The report that the company was being new interest in the local freight business came from San Francisco yesterday. As some months' time would be needed to fit up the steamers, it is regarded as too late for the company to interfere in the matter of the big freight contract for which it is understood that the *Serra* and the American-Hawaiian company are competing.

## CHINESE PRINCE HERE IN APRIL

WASHINGTON, March 28.—His Imperial Highness, Prince Tai-T'ao, brother of the present emperor of China, is on his way to the United States to study the American military system. An official letter received at the war department today announced that the prince will reach Honolulu April 1. It is said that his stay in the United States will be short. He will be accompanied by a large retinue of attendants and servants.

The situation between the Russians on Quarantine Island and A. Perelstrovsky, who has been recruiting the immigrants in Manchuria, has resolved itself to a question of veracity between the two sides. That is, the Russians claim that Mr. Perelstrovsky, in his talks to the Russians, quibbles and does not present the statements of territorial officials to them exactly as spoken—that the interpretation does not carry the exact meaning of the officials.

One of the interpreters on the island, one Dombrowsky, takes exception to Mr. Perelstrovsky's statement that the interpreters are responsible for the continuance of the talk between the Russians on the one hand and the officials and planters on the other hand. Mr. Dombrowsky speaks English very well and is apparently a man considerably above the rest of the immigrants. He has been acting as interpreter for the board of health, territorial immigration authorities and the national guard officers, and all of them place implicit confidence in his interpretations. The interpreter was at one time a man of means, living all during the Russo-Japanese war. His mother was German and his father Russian, the latter being a linguist.

Released From Quarantine.

At 10 o'clock yesterday morning, when the quarantine restrictions were removed from all the immigrants save those arriving on the *Serra*, the road leading across the mud flats was opened by the military, and many of the immigrants went into town immediately. The immigrants then passed from the authority of the board of health to that of the board of immigration, and they are allowed to leave the grounds between nine in the morning and thirty minutes at night. They are privileged to remain in the quarantine camp for the present.

How Start to Work.

A number of the Russians in quarantine recently declared that they would try the plantations and so signified, but they were crossed by the military. The matter has been threshed out, and through the medium of Dombrowsky and various officials, twenty-one men announced their willingness to visit Waikeolu plantation and size up the situation. It is thought that they were favorably impressed with stories they heard of life on that plantation, and on their return today they may report favorably to the remainder of the immigrants.

Pleasant Time on Quarantine Island.

Life on Quarantine Island has been pleasant enough to the Russians, although they were visited by many ailments.

## ARCADIA BECOMES A REAL FAIRYLAND

Beautiful Home of the Frears  
Turned Over to Children for  
the Afternoon.

Two hundred and fifty fairies floated into Arcadia yesterday afternoon, each one armed with gaily painted Easter eggs. Arcadia in this instance was the beautiful home of Governor and Mrs. Frear in Punahou and the fairies were the children who were attending the annual Easter-egg rolling which is one of the yearly events held by yesterday's gracious hostess and host.

Berger's band was seated in a wide circle on the spacious lawn and added melody to perfect the semblance of a fairyland into which the children had converted it. They broke up into little groups playing all the known games in which Easter eggs can be made to figure or set about the feet of Captain Berger's band boys while they played.

A number of the parents superintended the pastimes and many little prizes were awarded to many little victors in many little games. Deputations from three or four schools were on hand to swell the merry-making crowd and during the entire afternoon the beautiful grounds were given up to them and them alone.

## POWER SITES TO STATES.

WASHINGTON, March 28.—Senator Smoot introduced a bill today which provides for the transfer of all the water power sites of the country from the ownership of the Nation to the States. This transfer is made with the condition that the States may not permit the sale of these sites.

## SITE CHOSEN FOR LIBRARY

The Committee Decides Finally  
to Locate Building in  
Palace Grounds.

THE DECISION IS UNANIMOUS

Report to Be Made Friday on the  
Kind of Building to Be  
Erected.

The Carnegie library will be located on the bungalow site. This location was selected last night by the library committee after all those suggested had been carefully considered. The vote in favor of the site inside the capitol grounds was unanimous, those present and voting being chairman Whitney, W. H. Babbitt, W. A. Brown and P. L. Weaver.

The selection of the bungalow site is in accordance with the opinion expressed by the greater number who offered advice on the subject. Several other available locations were suggested, as well as a number that are not available. The capitol grounds are not far from the heart of the city, while at the same time they are far enough away to be out of the noise and dust. If the fence around the palace grounds is removed, as the Governor contemplates, access to the grounds will be easier.

The next step will be to choose the kind of building to be erected. A report on this will be presented at the next meeting of the committee, which will be Friday evening.

## FIGHT AGAINST SPEAKER HOLSTEIN

His Kohala Opponents Have  
Plans to Defeat Him for  
Reelection.

According to reports from Hawaii, Speaker Holstein, who was chosen for reelection to A. G. M. Robertson as Republican national committee man, is going to have a strenuous time of it in his campaign for a reelection to the house. A hot fight is on in Kohala already, and the things being said about Holstein will make the campaign a hammer if brought into the canvass.

The presence of Kanha in Honolulu is responsible for a good deal of the discussion. Kanha, of Kohala, is the lone Home Ruler, who has been in every legislature yet since the Territory was organized. He has stood by Holstein in previous campaigns, but is said to be turning against him now. He is credited with having senatorial aspirations, and he has declared himself for Luk Metcalf for delegate. The politicians are talking of earnest appeals that have come by mail from the Holstein camp, for Kanha to hasten back and stop the anti-Holstein movement. Holstein made a brilliant record as speaker, and is understood to expect to be speaker again, but now some hustling Republican politicians of his own district who declare that he won't get into the house again at all.

The defeat of Holstein would considerably change the Republican situation in the house. If he is elected he has a practical veto on the speakership. But if he is defeated, it will be something of a job to elect a speaker. The fight against Holstein is pretty good. But it is pretty bitter, and his opponents are threatening a strenuous personal canvass against him.

## LORD KITCHENER ARRIVES TODAY FROM THE COLONIES

Distinguished Soldier Is on His Way  
to England.

Field Marshal Viscount Kitchener, of Khartoum, late commander-in-chief in India and Britain's foremost soldier, will arrive from the colonies today. Lord Kitchener is on his way to Canada and thence home.

Lord Kitchener is one of the few British generals who added to his laurels in South Africa, that "grave of lost reputation." By calculating, masterly tactics he put an end to a war which had cost Britain a fortune in money as well as a dreadful toll in lives.

## MAKINO WILL NOT TRY ANY MORE FIGHTING

Announced That He Will Serve His  
Jail Sentence.

Makino will serve out his jail term. He was officially announced yesterday that the leader of the defunct higher wage association will not try to escape his prison term by any more legal action and that he will from now on allow his time spent on the reef to apply on his sentence.

## PUBLIC JOBS AND PRECINCTS

Things Which Are Keeping the  
Politicians on the  
Move.

DEMOCRATS MEET A FROST

Didn't Get Jobs for Voters—Lane-  
Kuhio Combination Rumored  
Again.

"Why didn't we get jobs as promised?" was something in the nature of a political warcry, which was encountered by Mayor Fern, Luk Metcalf and Treasurer Trent, at a meeting held at Moanalua on Saturday night. The Democratic leaders had a small gathering of voters, a meeting described by Republicans as an effort to show that they can still get up a meeting in that precinct.

Fern was promptly asked by the members of the audience, who were Democrats, why it was that, in view of the success of Democratic candidates, Democrats had not been given jobs. The mayor tried to put it all on the supervisors. The audience didn't seem very well satisfied with the explanation.

Though the campaign is a long way off, the precinct activity is very great in many parts of the city. It is stated that Lane, as a candidate for the Re-

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## HARDSHIPS TOLD BEFORE LEAGUE

Captain Castner Relates Daring  
Trip Through Alaska at  
Big Meeting.

Personal recollections such as few men can recall formed the subject of the address given before the Men's League last night by Capt. J. C. Castner, quartermaster, U. S. A. Over one hundred and fifty heard his account of the exploring trip through Alaska in 1908, which he made in company with a few others, attended by the graves.

Hang on the wall beside him was a great map of Alaska, on which he pointed out the route of his party, and at intervals the light was shut off and steno-graph notes were thrown on a screen to illustrate his remarks.

Captain Castner's party crossed the mountain ranges that crowd one another back at the Alaskan coast until they had pushed about one hundred and fifty miles into the interior and up to the great chain of the Alaskan Alps, which presented an almost impossible barrier to the adventurous travelers. They saw but one canyon in this great range, when they called Landmark gap, a picture of it being thrown on the screen and showing ranges almost sheer in two at this particular point.

The party were within sight of Mount McKinley, the scene of Doctor Cook's bogus exploits, and a picture of this also was shown. Although the photograph was taken some eighty miles away, the mountain, 20,000 feet in altitude, still towered high.

Captain Castner described his experiences with the Alaskan Indians, among mostly, pathetic sometimes. He and his companions were the first white men whom most of them had seen, and the natives, with them were unknown creatures to all, but they exhibited positively whatever. At one time a picture of the entire party was shown, together with the natives, about which Captain Castner remarked, "We are them afterwards."

Previous to Captain Castner's address, Doctor Hobdy gave an account of the work of the executive committee of the Central Anti-Tuberculosis Committee. He used a colored map of the city in illustration, pointing out the seven districts into which the city has been divided, five of which have already been provided with nurses. The work against the great white plague has been going on earnestly and without abatement, though little mention, and Doctor Hobdy's address was highly interesting.

A dinner was served, commencing at six o'clock.

## DR. AND MRS. BURDETTE OFF FOR THE ORIENT

Depart on Korea for Tour of the Far  
East.

Doctor and Mrs. Robert J. Burdette sailed yesterday on the *Korea* for the Orient, after three months spent in Honolulu. The distinguished couple will spend some time traveling through Japan and will then in all probability continue on to Europe over the line of the trans-Pacific railway.

Just how long Doctor and Mrs. Burdette will remain in the East has not yet been settled and will depend more or less upon the state of Mrs. Burdette's health.

## JUSTICE BREWER DIES SUDDENLY AT WASHINGTON



WASHINGTON, March 29.—Justice David Brewer of the United States Supreme Court died at his home here yesterday. The death of Justice Brewer was the result of apoplexy and the end came wholly unheralded.

## TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY ARE DEAD IN DISASTER

OEKOERITE, Hungary, March 28.—A frightful disaster occurred here today, in which two hundred and fifty people were killed as the result of fire breaking out in a ballroom. The place was crowded, and immediately the fire became known, panic reigned. The tramping of people under foot brought death to as many as were consumed by the fire.

## EIGHT ARE KILLED WHEN CRUISER GUN EXPLODES

MANILA, March 28.—Confirmation and details of the accident on board the cruiser *Charleston* reached this city today.

Eight men were killed and several injured by an explosion of a three inch gun that blew the breech block across the deck.

## TRANSPORTS FOR PANAMA?

WASHINGTON, March 28.—Congressman McLaughlin of southern California held a conference with Secretary of War Dickinson today with a view to determining the feasibility of utilizing the transport ships of the government in the inauguration of a Panama-Pacific government line. McLaughlin's scheme is for the government to operate these ships and break the monopoly of the Pacific Mail.

## NOMINATIONS FAVORED.

WASHINGTON, March 28.—The judiciary committee of the senate reported favorably today on the nomination made by the President for the judges of the new customs court.

## AT HAMPTON ROADS.

HAMPTON ROADS, March 28.—The Atlantic battleship fleet and its auxiliaries arrived here today from the South where it has been going through the usual maneuvers and target practice in Cuban waters.

## NEW CANAL COMMISSIONER.

WASHINGTON, March 28.—Maurice Thatcher of Kentucky was today nominated by the President for Panama canal commissioner.

## WALKER DESCRIBES GREAT FIGHT AGAINST CANNON

"Uncle Joe" Still a Power to Be Respected  
and Insurgents Disposed to Be  
Cautious.

By Ernest G. Walker.

(Mail Special to The Advertiser.)

WASHINGTON, March 13.—Speaker Cannon has his fighting clothes on again. He delivered his last outspoken word when he made a speech in Kansas city late last autumn. During the early winter, while the insurgents raged, he kept quiet about the business of the house and applied himself to keeping the insurgents of the house in some degree of order. That really was about enough to keep him.

To be sure, on Lincoln Day he went to Pittsburgh and delivered a carefully prepared speech, but there was little politics in it. He arose on the house one day not long ago, and in brief remarks warned the Democrats against committing themselves to rules that might return to embarrass them when they themselves came into power there. With an apparent subsidence of

## SPIES CAUGHT SKETCHING FORTS

Two Japanese Are Apprehended  
on Corregidor Island  
Reservation.

TRIED TO BRIBE SOLDIER

Men Are Held. Pending Receipt of  
Instructions From Secretary  
Dickinson.

MANILA, March 29.—Two Japanese were arrested here yesterday while trying to obtain plans of forts on Corregidor Island. The Japanese bribed a sentinel who took the money with the idea of leading them into a trap. He reported to his superiors of the plan and when the Japanese arrived and began work they were promptly apprehended.

The spies are now being held waiting instructions from Secretary of War Dickinson who has been apprised of the occurrence.

## COLONEL ROOSEVELT MAKES STRONG SPEECH AT CAIRO

Life of Former President Is Now Closely  
Guarded.

CAIRO, March 29.—In the course of an address delivered here yesterday Colonel Roosevelt seathfully denounced the assassination of Premier Boutros and warned the Nationalists of the probable results of any further acts of violence.

The speech created a great sensation here and Colonel Roosevelt is now closely guarded, as it is feared that an attempt may be made on his life.

## TRAINMEN MAY STRIKE.

CLEVELAND, March 29.—Trainmen and conductors on the Lake Shore system are taking a strike vote. Twenty thousand men will be affected should they decide to go out.

## AFTER FILIBUSTERS.

NEW ORLEANS, March 29.—The Madrid government is taking steps to prevent the shipment of arms and filibustering equipment to Nicaragua.

## SOUTH SEA HURRICANES.

SUVA, Fiji, March 28.—Disastrous hurricanes swept the islands of the South Sea on Thursday. Full details of the damage done on all the islands have not been secured.

## CRUMPACKER RENOMINATED.

LAFAYETTE, Indiana, March 28.—Congressman E. D. Crumpacker was renominated by the Republican convention of his district today.

The insurgent propaganda, however, and with the advance in preparations for the congressional campaign, the Speaker is again getting ready to demonstrate that the "field man," as he is fond of styling himself, is not "all in."

Some think his willingness to visit Boston late in April and speak at a dinner of the Middle sex Club is an indication of his readiness to give his opponents another round of hot shot. Recently arrangements have been made, with the Speaker's full approval, for Representative J. H. Gurnea of West Virginia to visit Illinois and address the Illinois Republican National Association. That will be a political speech. The Speaker is always greatly interested in the Republican newspapers throughout the State of Illinois. The Chicago Republican newspapers have generally handled him very cordially. No to do with him has been lost between them and the Speaker. It has been otherwise as to the smaller journals throughout the State. The Speaker has been very proud of their continued support of him.

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